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Our Home, our Country, and our Brother Man

Agricultural Exhibitions in Maine—1863.

We give below a list of a portion of the Agricultural Exhibitions to be held in this State during the coming autumn:

Kennebunk, at Readfield, Oct. 14th and 15th.

West Waldo, at Lanesville, Oct. 21st and 22d.

West Somers at North Anson, Oct. 14th and 15th.

Sagadahock, at Topsham, Oct. 13th, 14th, and 15th.

Cumberland Agricultural and Horticultural Society, hold a joint exhibition at Portland, commencing Oct. 14th, continuing several days.

West Oxford at Fryburgh, Oct. 13th, 14th and 15th.

East Oxford at Rumford, Oct. 14th and 15th.

East Somers Exhibition of Field Crops, at Hartland, Nov. 1st.

There will be no exhibition by the State Agricultural Society this year.

Woolen Beauties.

We had the pleasure, the other day, of examining a pair of Vermont Merinos recently purchased by our neighbor, Lewis Wood, of Winthrop. They are last spring lambs, a buck and ewe, and were selected from some of the flocks in Vermont, but we did not learn whose, by Col. Sam'l W. Tinkham, of Anson, who purchased quite a number for himself and neighbors, and who was commissioned by Mr. Wood to procure a pair of the best lamb he could find, without regard to cost. The Colonel made an admirable selection.

CATTLE. Provide shelter for the cattle before the cold freezing weather. Don't let them stay out nights, suffering and shivering in the cold, and expect that will toughen them. It won't pay, especially with milch cows. Keep them off from the new seed fields, and out of the orchards. Milch cows should have extra feed.

TOOLS. See that all your farming tools are in order and sheltered. Those farmers who leave their harrows, drags, &c., out in the field by the side of the fence during the winter are obliged to build new ones before their neighbors, who houses his, have fairly begun to wear. All iron or steel implements may be prevented from rusting by coating them with a mixture of rosin and lard melted together.

VEGETABLES. Clean up the garden, and store sufficient vegetables for family use during the next winter and spring. Harvest beets before freezing, shaking off the dirt and not cutting the tops close to the crown; put them in barrels or pens and cover with earth. Carrots ditto. Squashes must be carefully handled and kept in a dry, cool place. Turnips will grow for some time yet. Clean off the asparagus tops and cover the beds with a good coating of stable manure.

DISEASES IN ANIMALS. Diseases of Animals.

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THE MAINE FARMER: AN

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Augusta, Thursday, Oct. 15, 1863.

Terms of the Maine Farmer.
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All payments made by subscribers to the Farmer will be credited in accordance with our new mailing method. The printed date upon the paper, in connection with the subscriber's name, will show the time to which he has paid, and will constitute, in all cases, a valid receipt for money remitted by him.

A subscriber desiring to change the post office direction of his paper must communicate to us the name of the office to which it has been previously sent; otherwise we shall be unable to comply with his request.

Notice.

Mr. J. Sturgis is now engaged in canvassing Cumberland County.

Mr. V. Darling will visit Hancock County during the present month.

"How is Business?"

When the rebellion commenced, and there was a call for men to leave the peaceful occupations in which they were engaged, and change from being producers and preservers of property to consumers and destroyers, business, for a time, it was checked in all of its usual branches, and it was feared that there would be a general break down.

This revolution, however, was of short duration, and at the present time, almost every department of industry has calls for its products sufficient to task all its power to produce. This power is of course reduced from what it was before the commencement of the war, because of the employment of so many active men in the army. Take away a million of men from the industrial walks of life, and, as a matter of course, there will be a corresponding reduction of producing power. The amounts produced will not foot up so largely, as if the men, now engaged in the army, were employed at home in peaceful pursuits. The laws, however, of demand and supply make compensation in the way of profit by the inevitable consequence of a rise of prices, where the supply is a little short. Hence, although in many branches not so much is done as before, the prices of the articles produced being considerably enhanced, the profit, or money value, is greater than before. An examination of such statistics as we could find proves this. We have not at hand anything that gives us reliable facts in regard to agricultural products, for the time in question, their increase or diminution and ratio of prices, so we cannot speak very definitely of this branch of industry. As to manufacturing of different articles, &c., we are better supplied with tables of reliable returns. Those made out by Mr. Blodget, Secretary of the Philadelphia Board of Trade, giving amounts and prices of 1860, and to 1863 in April, afford us an insight and pretty reliable answer to the question "How is business?" By way of abstract of his tables, we will say that, of the various trades, or manufacturers, he enumerates the following as the only kinds that produce more than in 1860: Books, bound volumes; liquors, spirituous vinous and malt; petroleum or rock oil; soap, candles and oils; coal; sawed and planed lumber, flour and meal. The following produce the same or very near as in 1860: Tobacco, manufactured and sugars; gauze; salt. The various others fall short; and in summing up we make the value of the whole products enumerated, to be, in 1860, \$1,422,729.47. The value of the same products up to April 1863, you will find it to swell up to \$1,642,789.80, which will make \$330,227.35 more than in 1860, and this is an increase of 25.15 per cent. So you see that we are not going astern, as a sailor would say, but progressing very well in such matters. Indeed, we believe we have the right to claim ourselves to be a wonderful people, though it may favor a little modest bragging to say so. We are carrying on one of the most expensive and gigantic wars that ever a nation did. We have taken a million of men from the industrial classes, and made them consumers, and yet we produce enough of food to feed our armies, to supply France and England also with immense quantities of bread, and occasionally send a cargo or two, gratis, to their manufacturing operatives. At the same time, our manufacturing and other industrial pursuits, are continued with enhanced profits, and the enormously increased expenses of the National Government is met from our own resources, without asking the loan of a shilling from anybody but our own citizens. National troubles and trials develop National vigor and strength, and that strength and vigor, in our case, is a marvel to the eyes of the world at home and abroad.

AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITIONS THIS WEEK. Kennebec, at Readfield, Wednesday and Thursday; West Somerset, at North Anson, Wednesday and Thursday; Sagadahoc, at Topsham, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; Cumberland, at Portland, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; West Oxford, at Fryeburg, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; East Oxford, at Rumford, Wednesday and Thursday; East Washington, at Calais, Tuesday and Wednesday; Litchfield Town Fair, on Tuesday; China Town Fair, on Thursday; Albion Town Fair, on Tuesday.

BRIEF NOTES ON THE WEATHER. for the week ending Oct. 11th, 1863:

Oct. 8th—A. M. overcast; P. M. fine; warmest 62 deg. wind S. W.

8th—Splendid; warmest 60 deg. wind S. W.

8th—Tolerable; warmest 57 deg.; wind S. E.; began raining in night.

8th—Rain all day; warmest 57 deg.; wind S. E.

9th—A. M. overcast; P. M. fair; warmest 60 deg. wind N. E.; rain.

10th— Pleasant; warmest 59 deg.; wind S. E.

11th—Overcast; warmest 55 deg.; wind S. E.

The Waterville *Mail* thinks that the total amount of the Maine Central Railroad embezzlement will not exceed \$40,000. It recommends a thorough investigation by the stockholders into the management and business of the road from its opening to the disclosure of the recent fraud. Such an investigation is due to those who are interested in the prosperity of the Company.

The name of the Agent for the excellent Farm Fence noticed in our paper last week, is Henry Swan, instead of Henry Wing, as misprinted by us. We understand a section of this fence was exhibited at the Fair of the Union Society in Gardner, last week, and received the warm commendation of farmers and other practical men who examined it.

The Governor and Council have decided to locate the Normal School for the Western section of the State at Farmington. The Trustees of the Academy will provide suitable buildings, having appropriated \$4000 in funds for the purpose. The location of the School for the Eastern section has not yet been made.

A fine sea-going iron steamer recently fitted up in Montreal for the purpose, is to be placed on the route between St. John, N. B., and Portland during the coming winter. She is of 700 tons burden, and will be commanded by Capt. Alton, late of the steamer *Jewell*.

The winter term of the Eaton Boarding School for Boys at Kent's Hill will commence on Monday, Nov. 9th. This School was established in 1856, and is one of the best conducted institutions of the kind in the State.

Among the convicts in the State Prison recently pardoned by Gov. Coburn, are the two women, whose case was recently mentioned in our columns, Ellen Murphy and Joanna McGrath.

The War News of the Week.

All the indications point to an early resumption of active operations in the field. The latest intelligence from Gen. Rosecrans shows him to be already sufficiently reinforced since the recent battles to make the situation in Tennessee secure and to warrant a speedy forward movement. The great battlefield of the war during the ensuing fall and winter, is to be in Georgia. Both parties are making gigantic preparations for the approaching conflict. The possession of Atlanta is the great object of the campaign, and the whole power of the Confederacy will be concentrated for its defense and preservation. The loss of this important position will be the most disastrous misfortune that can befall the rebellion, and will substantially end the war.

Recent rebel operations upon our flanks were with a view to cut the railroad communications with Chattanooga, and thus prevent the transportation of supplies to Rosecrans and the concentration of his troops for offensive movements. No serious damage was done, however, beyond the destruction of a few bridges and some portions of the railroad track, which have been since replaced. Measures have been taken to guard against similar attempts in the future. General Rosecrans has now an immense force under his command, and will, it is confidently believed, be able in a few days to make a successful advance against Bragg.

Reports from the Army of the Potomac are conflicting in reference to rebel movements in Virginia. Some of the correspondents apprehend offensive movements by Lee, alleging that A. P. Hill's corps has moved up to cut off Meade's railroad communications and get into the rear. On the other hand it is stated, that Lee's army is rapidly falling back from the Rapidan to Richmond, for the purpose of reinforcing Bragg. Several encounters have recently taken place, chiefly with cavalry. A cavalry engagement occurred near Madison Court House on Friday last, in which our forces under Kilpatrick were repelled with some loss. The fight was renewed on Saturday, but the result was indecisive. The enemy have made their appearance in some force in the neighborhood of Santo Domingo city, was also said to have been burned by the revolutionaries.

The steamer *Ronko* from Havana Sept. 30th, brought St. Domingo dates of the 20th. The rebellion still continues and is increasing. Gaucha was about marching on Monte Cristo. The rebels still continue near Porta Plata, and skirmishing daily occurs.

A correspondent of the *Philadelphia Inquirer* writes from Cape Hayti, San Domingo, under date of Sept. 21, that an express passed through that place on the preceding day, bearing dispatches from the Dominican authorities at the city of St. Jago to President Gifford at Port au Prince, to the effect that the Dominicans had driven the Spaniards from their outposts, and that a large rebel mail just made up for departure.

The business connected with the draft in this District is nearly completed, there being only an occasional lately returned sailor or fisherman to be examined, and the conscripts are sent forward, with the exception of a small guard for the headquarters, stores and barracks. By the way, the Dr. Brown who was arrested for assisting conscripts to evade the draft, has waived an examination and given bonds for his appearance at Court.

The batteries located below the city, and being built for the defense of the river and city, are progressing, quite a large force being employed upon the work. The occurrence of much rainy weather, during which work has to be suspended, causes considerable delay in the progress, but if good weather continues, the work will probably be completed by early winter. The battery nearest the city, being about a mile from it and on the west side of the bay, already presents the general outlines of what it will be when completed.

One wing of the work is already finished and sodded, presenting a fine appearance. The batteries will each mount five heavy guns, and require a garrison force of about fifty men each. Being earthworks they give indications of a capability of withstanding a heavy fire, and would probably prove a safe protection for the harbor, in case of attempted attack by sea, although it is to be hoped we may never have occasion to test their quality.

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Saturday killed and wounded 70 rebels, took 200 prisoners and recaptured 250 mules. On reaching Walnut Run the rebels shot 200 miles to prevent their falling into our hands.

Rebel Report of an Attack on our Fleet at Charleston.

FORTRESS MONROE, Oct. 8.—The Richmond Examiner of to-day contains the following dispatches:

Charleston, Oct. 7.—An attack was made by the rebels on the frigates Ironsides, damaging her and alarming the fleet. Two of our men including Lieutenant Gassett, of the Clerks, are missing.

For the last twenty-four hours there has been but little firing. The enemy's works on Morris Island seem to be nearly completed.

Mobile Oct. 6.—The enemy's cavalry, 1500 strong with four guns, attacked Col. Richardson, who is at Albany, yesterday. The enemy were repulsed.

Destruction of Salt Works in Georgia.

Lieut. Commander Gibson of the U. S. gunboat Seneca, reports to the Navy Department, that on the night of October 2d, 1863, he saw the salt works destroyed the Hudson River, near Duran, Georgia, entirely.

The salt works, holding the boilers, engines, vats, &c., were全部 destroyed.

We capture a Lieut. Col. and 12 men.

Maj. Gen. Dana advanced with his whole force as soon as possible, and our last advice states that the enemy were in full retreat, they having fallen back five miles as soon as the division advanced.

If this is true, the tables will be turned upon the enemy, as they are between the Mississippi and Atlantic Oceans, and to sweep up the latter.

They will be compelled to have their

men, horses and supplies sent across the ocean.

It is only when on our lines of

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Commercial from our forces below the river, the enemy had fallen back abovesville to-night.

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St. LOUIS Mo. 7. Intelligence received at headquarters here, states that about two thousand rebels from Marmaduke's command, under Col. Shelly, have entered Southwest Missouri from Arkansas for raiding purposes. Our troops were concentrating upon them from several points, and their capture is not improbable.

From Tennessee—Gen. Rosecrans Ready to Move in a few Days.

LOUISVILLE, Oct. 6.—Gen. Rosecrans is ready to move in a few days. Gen. Burnside is ready for active operations.

Gen. Rosecrans now has the largest and finest army in the United States and can envelop and destroy Bragg's army if assisted properly.

Gen. Burnside with two corps holds a position, and the commanding General of the expedition at last accorded him headquarters.

The main body of the rebel forces have fallen back to the bridge connecting the two roads.

Federal cavalry so completely their whereabouts cannot be ascertained. Their intentions are equally a subject of speculation, but there is a generally received opinion that they will give battle at Vermillionville.

The enemy carried everything with him in the way of subsistence on the line of retreat, and the Federal forces must take with them every pound of food they consume.

From Charleston—Everything going on favorably.

New York, 11th. The Charleston Harbor corresponds of the Baltimore American, on

Oct. 5th, 1863.

The two preceding editions now that the present activity will not be of many days continuance. Gen. Gilmore has forced his works forward with remarkable rapidity, considering the natural and artificial obstructions in his way.

The troops have worked hard—nearly every

regiment on the island taking turns every day in the work.

The rebels are now in a position to hold the junction of the two roads, and the Federals are moving right up the country under the direction of Gen. Hooker. The rebels under Pegram have joined Bragg.

Guerrilla Outrages in Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 1. One hundred guerrillas under command of Capt. Richardson, at 2 P. M., placed obstructions on the track of New Hope, twenty miles from the junction, to burn the train off the track and fired it, but fortunately did no damage to the passengers. The guerrillas captured the train, burned the passenger cars, and released the passengers of money, and decamped.

Raport of a guerrilla raid in Simpson and Warren counties, under Hughes. The guerrillas have burned the depot at Auburn on the Memphis Branch. Great excitement prevails in all the counties between Murfreesboro and the Tennessee River, which is held by Gen. Hopper.

Gen. Gilmore is advancing from the west by rail route, while Gen. Sherman, with the 3d Corps, is moving up by a shorter and better route.

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From Arkansas—Describes from the Rebels—The Narrows Escape of Gen. Blunt.

Nashville, Tenn. The Times' Washington despatch of last night says:

A letter received to-day from a prominent officer of Gen. St. George's command, dated Little Rock, Sept. 30th, says that deserters from Price's army are coming into our lines by hundred and enlisted in our ranks.

The rebels still continue their operations, but with less success. Several bands have arisen, thrown down their arms and resumed their pursuits.

These people admit that Arkansas, as well as the whole trans-Mississippi country, is forever lost to the Southern Confederacy, and it is probable that the rebels will abandon that state alto-

gether, and make their last stand west of the Mississippi River.

Cotton burning in the State has ceased almost entirely, and planters are beginning to bring in their cotton, though in small quantities.

St. Louis, 10th. The Democrat's Louisville despatch gives particulars of the attack on Gen. Blunt, and his escort before Fort Scott.

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The hill and field October's glories fade,
The hill and field the blackbirds soundward fly;
The red maples drop their golden gild,
Where all the ground is gunned with leaves that fall.
And the last bloom of Autumn withers lie.

The berries on the hedgehog ripen well,
Holy and calm, buring buds and brier;
The hawthorn drops its golden bell,
Where all the ground is gunned with leaves that fall.

The chimes of cricket and the hum of bees,
Came from the bushes where the swallow land,
Where reds and blues whisper in the trees,
And sunbeams slant between the mossy green trees,

Green and gold, and yellow and orange and red.

From many a tree whose tangled boughs are bare
Lean the rich clusters of the chambering vine;

October's mellow basks the sun;

The sun sinks slowly in the gloomy forest woods,

The crimson cardinal and leafy fern.

Adown the brook the dead leaves wavy go;

Above the brook the scarlet sumacs burn;

The red maples drop their golden bell,

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Yet, though our summer change and pass away—

—Though the beauty of the earth and plains—

—Though warmth and color fade with every day—

—Hopes pass not, and something seems to say—

—That we are still here, and have a care—

—And if the flowers we culture with such care

—Must wither, though bedewed with many tears,

They shall arise in some divisor air,

To make us glad again, more fair,

And glad us through all the coming years.

The sun sinks slowly toward the far-off west;

The breeze is freshening from the shore;

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